GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2445
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SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY PARKS AND CENTRES
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Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Science and Technology Parks and Centres in the country, as on July 31, 2001, State-wise;

(b) whether the financial assistance from the Union Government and foreign countries is being provided for setting up of Science and Technology Parks and Centres at present;

(c) if so, the details in this regard;

(d) the extent to which these parks and centres have been able to impart and expand science and technology in the country;

(e) the steps being taken to improve their contribution; and

(f) the number of such parks and centres likely to be set up during 2001-2002 with indegenous and foreign collaboration separately ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI BACHI SINGH RAWAT)

(a to f) A statement is attached.

STATEMENT AS REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (f) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2445 DUE REPLY ON 7.8.2001 REGARDING SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY PARKS AND CENTRES

(a) to (c) The Ministry of Science and Technology does not operate a scheme for promoting Science and Technology Parks and Centres. However, the National Science and Technology Entrepreneurship Development Board (NSTEDB) under the Department o Science and Technology (DST) is promoting Science and Technology Entrepreneurs Parks (STEPs) in and around academic and R&D institutions of excellence with a view to promoting the spirit of innovation and entrepreneurship among S&T persons.The STEPs are sponsored jointly by the DST, all India Financial Institutions (IDBI, IFCI and ICICI), State Governments and the Host Institutions. S far, 16 STEPs have been approved as on 31.7.2001. State-wise distribution of STEPs is given at Annexure -I attached.

In addition, the Department of Biotechnology (DBT) is promoting Micropropagation Technology Parks (MTPs) for providing an interface between the research institutions and industry and Biotechnology Parks for women to provide opportunities for women entrepreneurs through the application of environment friendly biotechnologies. DBT has set up 2 MTPs , one at Tata Energy Research Institute (TERI), New Delhi and another at National Chemical Laboratory , Pune. A Biotechnology Park for women has been set up by DBT at Chennai in collaboration with the State Government

No foreign country is participating in these efforts.

(d) & (e) More than 750 enterprises have been promoted through the STEPs and employment for nearly 11,000 persons have been generated. The respective Departments have appropriate mechanisms for ensuring proper development and growth of these Parks/Centres.

(f) The number of parks/centers to be set up during 2001-2002 would depend upon the viability of the proposals and budget allocations available.

ANNEXURE-I

STATE WISE DISTRIBUTION OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY ENTREPRENEURS PARKS (STEPs) AS ON 31.7.2001

SI.No. State No. of STEPs Location

#1. Andhra Pradesh 1 1) International Advanced Research Centre for Powder Metallurgy and New Materials, Hyderabad

2. Jharkhand 1 1) Birla Institute of Technology, Mesra, Ranchi

3. Himachal Prad 1 1) H.P. University, Shimla.
4 . Karnataka 3 1) SJ College of Engineering. Mysore
2) Karnataka Regional Engineering College, Surathkal
3) Basaveshwar Engineering College, Bagalkot

5. Madhya Pradesh 1 1) Maulana Azad College of Technology, Bhopal
6. Maharashtra 2 1) University of Poona, Pune
2) Jawaharlal Nehru Entrepreneurs Chemical Park, Mumbai

7 Punjab 2 1) Guru Nanak Dev Engineering College , Ludhiana
2) Thapar Institute of Engineering & Technology, Patiala

8. Tamil Nadu 2 1) Regional Engineering College, Tiruchirapppalli
2) PSG College of Technology, Coimbatore

9. Uttar Pradesh 1 1) Harcourt Butler Technological Institute, Kanpur
10. Uttaranchal 1 1) University of Roorkee Roorkee.
11. West Bengal 1 1) Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Kharagpur

Total 16